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UNDER 35 U.S.C. §111

Sir:

Priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

Please find enclosed herewith the following documents relating to the above-cited case:

- (X) 1. the above-identified patent application having 52 pages and 42 claims;
- (X) 2. a paper copy of a Sequence Listing;
- (X) 3. a diskette containing a copy of the Sequence Listing in computer readable form in a sealed envelope;
- (X) 4. a Statement of Identity Under 37 C.F.R. 1.821(f) for New U.S. Patent Application;
- (X) 5. an unsigned Supplemental Declaration and Power of Attorney document;
- (X) 6. 4 sheets of drawings; and
- (X) 7. a stamped, self-addressed postcard, return of which is requested to acknowledge receipt of the enclosed documents.

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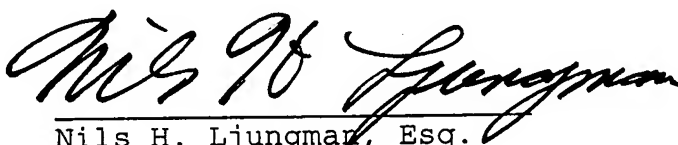
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